

1 IN THE CLAIMS:

2 Please amend the following claims:

3 84. (Amended) A locking system, comprising:  
4 a portable electronic device having a wall defining a security slot;  
5 a housing including a slot engagement member having a slot engaging  
6 portion provided with a locking member sized to enter into and be removed from said  
7 security slot when in an unlocked position, said slot engagement member being moveable  
8 between said unlocked position and a locked position wherein said locking member is  
9 retained within said security slot;  
10 a retractable inhibiting member coupled to said housing and within said  
11 security slot when said slot engagement member is in said locked position, for inhibiting  
12 movement of said slot engagement member from said locked position; and  
13 a cable, coupled to said housing, for attaching to an object other than said  
14 portable electronic device.

1 89. (Amended) A locking system, comprising: a portable electronic  
2 device having a wall defining a security slot;  
3 a housing including a slot engagement member having a slot engaging  
4 portion provided with a locking member sized to enter into and be removed from said  
5 security slot when in an unlocked position, said slot engagement member being moveable  
6 between said unlocked position and a locked position wherein said locking member is  
7 retained within said security slot;  
8 a retractable inhibiting member, coupled to said housing and within said  
9 security slot when said slot engagement member is in said locked position, for inhibiting  
10 movement of said slot engagement member from said locked position, and wherein said  
11 inhibiting member is fixed relative to said housing; and  
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13 a cable, coupled to said housing, for attaching to an object other than said  
14 portable electronic device to inhibit movement of said portable electronic device beyond  
15 a predetermined distance from said object.

Please add new claims 94-95 as follows:

1 94. (New) A locking system in accordance with claim 84 wherein the  
2 retractable inhibiting member is a screw.

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2 95. (New) A locking system in accordance with claim 89 wherein the  
3 retractable inhibiting member is a pin.